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 PRISONS WITH U.S.

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1. (C) Summary: UN Rapporteur Manfred Nowak again publicly
 accused the GOJ of torturing. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] Meanwhile, a man on trial for plotting to
 kill Americans accused Jordan's intelligence service of
 torturing him. End summary.

2. (C) UN Special Rapporteur on Torture Manfred Nowak accused
 the GOJ of torturing and announced January 30 in Geneva that
 he would present a report on his June trip to Jordan to the
 UN Human Rights Council (UNHRC) when it convenes March 12.
 Nowak's statement essentially repeated charges he made
 publicly in June 2006 (ref B). [REDACTED]

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Note: In an Amman press conference in June, Nowak said the GOJ was "not systematically practicing or condoning torture." End Note.

4. (U) At a January 31 press conference MFA spokeswoman Sabah Rafie said the GOJ would examine the report and respond. She emphasized that Nowak's statements were about isolated cases and that his trip had been at the invitation of the GOJ, in itself a sign of transparency.

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Alleged Terrorist Accuses GID

6. (C) According to media reports January 31, Mohammed al-Hotari, on trial in Amman's State Security Court for "conspiracy to carry out terrorist activities" and "illegal possession of an automatic weapon" in an alleged plot to kill Americans in Jordan, claimed his confessions were extracted under duress. His co-defendant Mohammed Shehadeh also said his testimony was false, but did not claim he was tortured. Both men asked the court for the opportunity to present a fresh written statement.

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5. (SBU) While the Prime Minister is notionally dual-hatted as the Minister of Defense, he delegates all authority over defense matters to the Chairman of the JAF Joint Chiefs. The PM in fact has no Ministry of Defense to provide any civilian oversight -- a situation that is not questioned domestically.

The Chairman does defer to the PM for purposes of protocol, for example when planning a meeting between ministers of defense.

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